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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - TIA SPLIT CHARTERS

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1. AS WASHINGTON AGENCIES AWARE, GOI PERMITS ONLY SINGLE AFFINITY AND INCLUSIVE TOUR CHARTERS. SPLIT AFFINITY CHARTERS ARE NOT RPT AUTHORIZED UNDER PRESENT CIVILAVIA REGULATIONS. AS INDICATED REFTEL (C), EMBASSY IS SEEKING CHANGE IN ITALIAN CHARTER POLICY WHICH WOULD PERMIT SPLIT AFFINITY CHARTERS AT LEAST THROUGH 1975 SEASON. EMBASSY HAS ACCORDINGLY APPROACHED MINISTRIES TRANSPORT (INCLUDING MINISTER MARTINELLI -- SEE REFTEL B) AND TOURISM AND WILL BE SHORTLY MAKING FORMAL APPROACH TO MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA).

2. EMBASSY HAS FULLY COORDINATED WITH BOTH SCHEDULED AND NONSCHEDULED CARRIERS AS WELL AS ITALIAN CHAPTER AMERICAN SOCIETY OF TRAVEL AGENTS (ASTA).

3. EMBASSY HAS HAD NO RPT NO INDICATION TO DATE THAT CIVILAVIA WILLING CHANGE CURRENT POLICY. CIVILAVIA DIRECTOR GENERAL MOCI AND DIRECTOR AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES SITAJOLO ARE BOTH ALITALIA ORIENTED AND FULLY REFLECT ALITALIA'S STRONG OPPOSITION TO SPLIT AFFINITY CHARTERS. DR. LIOI (CHIEF, FOREIGN AIR TRANSPORT AFFAIRS AND ONE LEVEL BELOW SITAJOLO) SUPPORTS SPLIT AFFINITY CHARTERS, BUT LIOI'S STAFF FAITHFULLY FOLLOWS ALITALIA LINE. CIVILAVIA HAS IN FACT REJECTED TIA'S APPLICATION FOR 25 SPLIT

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AFFINITY CHARTERS DURING 1975 ON GROUNDS THEY NOT RPT NOT PERMITTED

UNDER CURRENT REGULATIONS. OVERSEAS NATIONAL AIRLINES (ONA)  
HAS ALSO FILED APPLICATIONS FOR SERIES OF SPLIE AFFINITY CHARTERS,  
BUT THESE HAVE NOT YET BEEN ACTED UPON BY CIVILAVIA.

4. AS INDICATED REFTEL (B), MINISTER TRANSPORT MARTINELLI APPARENTLY  
RECOGNIZES ADVERS IMPACT PRESENT CHARTER POLICY ON TOURSIM AND  
ITALIAN BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND HE MAY, IN RESPONSE AMBASSADOR'S  
INITIATIVE, TAKE ACTION WHICH WOULD RESULT IN CIVILAVIA  
(UNWILLINGLY) ISSUING NEW REGULATIONS PERMITTING SPLIT AFFINITY  
CHARTERS. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE EFFORTS WITH MINISTER MARTINELLI  
AND WILL DELIVER NOTE TO MFA.

5. APPROVAL TIA AND ONA APPLICATIONS FOR SPLIT AFFINIT CHARTERS  
THUS REQUIRES SHIFT IN PRESENT GOI CHARTER POLICY. EMBASSY MAKING  
EVERY EFFORT TO SECURE SUCH POLICY SHIFT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE  
AND WILL INFORM WASHINGTON AGENCIES, CARRIERS AND ASTA AS SOON  
AS GOI ATTITUDE TOWARDS SPLIT AFFINITY CHARTERS CHANGES.

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